[No. 173]

(HB 4868)

AN ACT to amend 1909 PA 279, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities and for revising and amending their charters; to provide for certain powers and duties; to provide for the levy and collection of taxes by cities, borrowing of money, and issuance of bonds or other evidences of indebtedness; to validate actions taken, bonds issued, and obligations heretofore incurred; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts on specific dates," by amending sections 5i and 35a (MCL 117.5i and 117.35a), section 5i as added by 1994 PA 431.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

117.5i Snow removal from streets, mosquito abatement, and security services provided by private contractors; special assessment.

Sec. 5i. (1) Whether or not authorized by its charter, a city with a population of more than 750,000 may provide by ordinance a procedure to finance by special assessments the provision by private contractors of snow removal from streets, mosquito abatement, and security services. The ordinance shall authorize the use of petitions to initiate the establishment of a special assessment district. The record owners of not less than 51% of the land comprising the actual special assessment district must have signed the petitions.

(2) A service instituted under this section may be discontinued upon petition by the record owners of 51% of the land comprising the special assessment district.

117.35a General obligation bonds; issuance; conditions.

Sec. 35a. Any municipality with a population of 750,000 or more may issue general obligation bonds and other evidences of debt for all lawful purposes in accordance with state law, but subject to the overall debt limitations provided by state law or the charter of the municipality. No charter shall allocate the debt limitation or any part of the debt limitation to specific purposes.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect. Approved December 11, 2001. Filed with Secretary of State December 11, 2001.